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SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In response to the final Office Action dated 09/04/2008, please consider the following amendments and remarks. A listing of the claims begins on page 2, and remarks begin on page 12. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a), along with an authorization to charge the applicable fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e), is being submitted herewith.